

FISCAL NOTE

HB 2677 - SB 2888

January 31, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires 24-hour notification to the Members of the General Assembly who represent the district in which a nursing home is located prior to any suspension of admissions by the Department of Health. Requires the Department to notify a Member, in writing, if any complaint investigation survey could lead to a suspension of admissions, probation or other sanctions, or the loss of federal funds of a nursing home in his or her district.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- The Department of Health will not incur a significant increase in expenditures to provide the required notifications. Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- According to the Department of Health, the 24-hour prior notification requirement could put the state in violation of the Federal State Operations Manual (SOM). Such violation could jeopardize federal funding for survey and certification activities.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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